

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 8 as follows:

Figure 1 shows a personal computer 10 comprising a processor unit 12, a visual display unit (VDU) 14, a keyboard 16 and a pointing device which in this embodiment is a mouse 18. In this embodiment the mouse has two buttons to allow the user to confirm a selection, namely a right and a left button. The need for two buttons will be described in more detail below. The processor unit 12 includes a floppy disc drive 13, which may read a floppy disc 15 in addition to the usual components of RAM, ROM, CPU, hard disc and the like (not shown). Connected to the personal computer system 10 are two peripherals, namely printer 20 and a modem 30. The modem is connected to a telephone line (not shown) using cable 32. The personal computer system 10 can, therefore, communicate with outside devices such as the Internet. In this embodiment, the printer 20 is a colour ink jet printer.

Please amend the paragraph bridging pages 26 and 27 as follows:

The process steps when an element has been double clicked using the left mouse button will now be described with reference to Figure 11. This is commenced at step 500 by the left mouse button double click. At step 502 it is detected whether the element is static (or greyed) and if so the flow branches to step 520 where the process ends. Otherwise, at step 504 it is detected whether the element is a leaf element or not in the manner previously described. If the element is a leaf element, then its state is changed at step 506, and updating performed at step 506 in the same manner as that employed for a leaf element when a single click has occurred which will not, therefore be explained again.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 29's line 9 as follows:

Returning to Figure 11, if at step 510 it is determined that the page is the base page for the element then the process branches to step 512 where the state of the element is incremented in the same manner as described above. In this case, however, the new base page for the new page is read from the state information of the selected element and it is this new base page which is displayed at step 514. The page pointer 211 is updated accordingly. The process thereafter terminates at step 520.

Please amend the paragraph bridging pages 31 and 32 as follows:

If the element is a leaf element, the process branches to step 606 where the context menu for that element is displayed. A context menu is a portion of the displayed screen which temporarily over writes the previous image and contains a list of all possible states for that element. In a modification, however, the space allocated to the context list may be of predetermined size and may be scrollable if the number of state images are too great although this is considered non-preferable. Continuing to Figure 14B, the context menu is highlighted at step 608 so as to indicate the current state. In the embodiment this is by means of a tick adjacent to the image but other forms of such indications could be used (e.g. by making the image flash or larger than the other state images). At step 610 it is detected whether the user wishes to change the state of the element. The user does this change by moving the cursor to the desired new state and confirming the selection by clicking a mouse button, this being a

known procedure for choosing an item from a menu. If the user does not change the state of an element then the process ends at step 616. If the user does change the state of the element then updating steps (steps 612 and 614) as previously described with reference to a left mouse button click are performed. At step 616 the process terminates.